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OFFICE ACTION SUMMARY

- Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____
 This action is FINAL.
 Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 D.C. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire _____, or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Disposition of Claims

- Claim(s) 1-34 are pending in the application.
Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
 Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 Claim(s) 1-34 are subject to restriction or election requirement.

Application Papers

- See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948.
 The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner.
 The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is approved disapproved.
 The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Attachment(s)

- Notice of Reference Cited, PTO-892
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 Interview Summary, PTO-413
 Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
 Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1-34 are pending in the application.

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1, 3-7 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻ and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.
- II. Claims 1 and 9-12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻ and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.
- III. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻.
- IV. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

- V. Claims 1, 2 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.
- VI. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.
- VII. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-.
- VIII. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.
- IX. Claims 1, 8 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.
- X. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is hydrogen.

- XI. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is R¹-Y¹-A.
- XII. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is hydrogen.
- XIII. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A and the remaining is hydrogen.
- XIV. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.
- XV. Claims 1 and 12, drawn to products of formula (I) not embraced by Groups I-XIV.
- XVI. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XVII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XVIII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹-.

XIX. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

XX. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XXI. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XXII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-.

XXIII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

XXIV. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XXV. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is hydrogen.

XXVI. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is R¹-Y¹-A.

XXVII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is hydrogen.

XXVIII. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A and the remaining is hydrogen.

XXIX. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XXX. Claims 13-22, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) not embraced by Groups XVI- XXIX.

XXXI. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XXXII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XXXIII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻.

XXXIV. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

XXXV. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²⁻-P(OH)O-Z¹⁻ and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XXXVI. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²⁻-P(OH)O-Z¹⁻ and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XXXVII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²⁻-P(OH)O-Z¹⁻.

XXXVIII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

XXXIX. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XL. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is hydrogen.

XLI. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is R¹-Y¹-A.

XLII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is hydrogen.

XLIII. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A and the remaining is hydrogen.

XLIV. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XLV. Claims 23-26, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) not embraced by Groups XXXI-XLIV.

XLVI. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

XLVII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

XLVIII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹-.

IL. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

L. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

LI. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

LII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-.

LIII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

LIV. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as

-O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

LV. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as

-O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is hydrogen.

LVI. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as

-O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is R¹-Y¹-A.

LVII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of

formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as

-O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is hydrogen.

LVIII. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of

formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A and the

remaining is hydrogen.

LIX. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

LX. Claims 27-30, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) not embraced by Groups XLVI-LIX.

LXI. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula

(I) wherein one of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 is $(HO)_2PO-Z^1-$ and two of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 are R^1-Y^1-A .

LXII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of

formula (I) wherein two of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 are $(HO)_2PO-Z^1-$ and one of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 is R^1-Y^1-A .

LXIII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of

formula (I) wherein all three of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 are $(HO)_2PO-Z^1-$.

LXIV. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of

formula (I) wherein one of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 is $(HO)_2PO-Z^1-$, one of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 is R^1-Y^1-A and one of X^1 , X^2 and X^3 is hydrogen.

LXV. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

LXVI. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹- and one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

LXVII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-.

LXVIII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹, X² and X³ is (HO)₂PO-Z²-P(OH)O-Z¹-, one of X¹, X² and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A and one of X¹, X² and X³ is hydrogen.

LXIX. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is R¹-Y¹-A.

LXX. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X² are linked together as -O-PO(OH)O- and X³ is hydrogen.

LXXI. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is R¹-Y¹-A.

LXXII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein one of X¹ and X³ are linked together as -O-PO(OH)NH- and X² is hydrogen.

LXXIII. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein two of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A and the remaining is hydrogen.

LXXIV. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) wherein all three of X¹, X² and X³ are R¹-Y¹-A.

LXXV. Claims 31-33, drawn to methods of using products of formula (I) not embraced by Groups LXI-LXXIV.

LXXVI. Claim 34, drawn to process of making products of formula

(I) wherein one or two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z¹⁻.

LXXVII. Claim 34, drawn to process of making products of formula

(I) wherein one or two of X¹, X² and X³ are (HO)₂PO-Z²⁻
P(OH)O-Z¹.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons: the products of Groups I-XV differ materially in structure and element so much so as to be patentably distinct. In addition, a reference that anticipates one group may not even render obvious the other.

Inventions of Groups I-XV and Groups XVI-LXXV are related as product and process of use. The inventions can be shown to be distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) the process for using the product as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product or (2) the product as claimed can be used in a materially different process of using that product (MPEP § 806.05(h)). In the

instant case, the process of using the product as claimed can practiced with another materially different product such as the product of Group I or the product of Group IV, etc.

Inventions of Groups I, II, IV, V, VI and VIII and Groups LXXVI-LXXVII are related as process of making and product made. The inventions are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case, the process can be used to make other products.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required for Group XVI, for example, is not required for Group I, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Additionally, Applicants are required to elect a single disclosed species (e.g. Example, page number and structural depiction) from whichever group is ultimately elected.

Further, Applicants are required to indicate how the species is embraced by the claims {e.g. X¹ is (HO)₂PO-Z¹, Z¹ is -(CH₂)_l-, l is zero, Q¹ is H₂, etc.}.

Upon the election of a single disclosed species, a generic concept, inclusive of the elected species, will be identified by the Examiner for examination.

Moreover, whatever specific compound is ultimately elected, applicants are required to list all claims readable thereon.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura L. Stockton whose telephone number is (703) 308-1875. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 6:00 am to 2:30 pm. If the examiner is out of the Office, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph McKane, can be reached on (703) 308-4537.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1235, 308-0196 or 305-3290.

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